

CALGARY TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION, No. 449

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Banquet
Dance
Whist Drive

AL AZHAR TEMPLE
6.45 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER FIFTEEN, 1927

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Looking Backward:

Some Early History of Four-Four-Nine

CALGARY TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION, the many other influential and progressive organizations in Western Canada, had a very humble beginning. On May 24, 1902, a special meeting of Calgary Trades and Labor Council was held to consider the question of organizing the printers, and a committee consisting of J. D. McAra, H. Smith and E. D. Marshall was appointed to canvass for members and report to a meeting of the types on May 27. On this date, Calgary Typographical Union was formed; Everett Marshall being in the chair. The meeting was held in the simple room of the old Royal Hotel, no doubt a very satisfactory place for the sake of good fellowship present. The first officers were: President, James Hamilton; Vice-President, J. D. McAra; Secretary, M. C. Costello; Treasurer, L. D. Marshall.

On June 17, 1902, the first regular meeting was held in the rear of the "Albion" office, there being present Mason, Hamilton, McAra, Costello, Marshall, Welch, Hodson, R. E. Watt and House. On June 24 the late Harold J. Gibson was initiated, and the first scale committee appointed, viz., Messrs. Hamilton, Marshall and Hodson.

In those early days meetings of the Union were frequent. Another was held on June 29, when the secretary reported ten members in good standing with receipts of \$3.60. On this occasion it was decided to affiliate with Calgary Trades and Labor Council, and Messrs. Hamilton, Gibson and Marshall were elected delegates.

On September 10, 1902, the first Traveling Card was accepted by 499, that of Wm. Muirhead, of Saginaw, Michigan. H. B. Wilson ("Bob") brother was obligated at this meeting. The Union was honored at its gathering on November 29 by the presence of H. Thomas, president of Winnipeg Union, and special mention is made of this event in the minutes.

On January 6, 1903, President Hamilton resigned, as he was about to leave for Winnipeg. "Jack" McAra was elevated to the chair, and a formal banquet was tendered the retiring president. On July 14, 1903, H. B. Wilson was elected president, vice J. D. McAra resigned. The resignation of Secretary Costello was accepted with regret at the meeting of July 24, 1904. Evidently many apologies were expressed, as the minutes read: "Some brother was induced to go to M. C. Costello thanked the members heartily for support given him." H. M. Dugan was elected secretary.

At the meeting of September 27, 1904, it was reported with much glee that the union had won the \$10 prize for the best decorated float in the Labor Day Parade. But the joy was short-lived, for at the October gathering it transpired that the prize money was not forthcoming—the printers had not paid their per capita to the T. S. L. Union! However, later on the \$10 came to hand.

The report of the secretary for February, 1905, showed 27 members in good standing and \$177.85 in the bank. At the union on March 29, 1905, Messrs. Purton, Collier and Lantz, of Medicine Hat, were accepted as members, while on October 29, of the same year, G. S. McRae, Neelar of Argentine, H. T. McRae, Archie Buckley and Fred Kirkpatrick, of Fort Macleod, became members and later started a local there. At this meeting cards were granted to J. H. Dickinson, F. Durwin and W. T. McDonald, in order that they might assist in starting a Premium Union in Calgary. Thus 499 can claim to be the parent of three other unions.

Lack of space forbids reference to the later interesting history of the union. At this date, 499 is going strong, with 115 journeymen and 13 apprentices. On its 25 years of service the members look back with pride and pleasure. May the next quarter of a century see a great extension of its usefulness.

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MENU

CONSONNE

ROAST YOUNG CHICKEN

MASHED POTATOES

PEAS

NEAPOLITAN ICE CREAM

WAFERS

TEA

COFFEE

MILK



PROGRAMME

President J. M. HEALEY, Toastmaster

"O CANADA"

Community Singing

Song "Dreams of Long Ago"
HARRY S. HANDLEY

Piano and Banjo Duo "Underneath Dat Ol' Umbrella"
WM BANKS and B. A. POPE

Song Selected
R. E. COWIE

Tune—
"Calgary Typographical Union, No. 449"
Presented by FRED J. WHITE, M.L.A.

Recorded in by CHARTER MEMBERS present

Song "If I Might Come to You"
HOWARD T. TREVELyan

Humorous Song "Father's Name Was Brown"
WM. J. BANKS

"AULD LANG SYNE"



Accompanist: CLEM ELLIOTT

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Officers — 1927 - 1928

<i>President</i>	J. M. HEALEY
<i>Vice-President</i>	A. E. FOSTEN
<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	ANDREW DAVISON
<i>Reading Clerk</i>	F. S. THORN
<i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i>	W. J. HILL
<i>Executive Committee</i>	O. W. HARRIS THOS. BRADFORD J. B. PHILLIPS S. BALDWIN

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

J. M. Healey A. E. Fosten R. M. Wilson D. D. Smith
C. H. Martin O. W. Harris J. B. Phillips
W. J. Banks

Andrew Davison, Chairman



The thanks of the Union are extended to the Alberta Job Press, Limited, and the Star Printing Works for the use of their plants, to the Mason & Rich Piano Co. for the use of a piano for the concert, and to Campbell Floral Goods & Nurseries, Ltd., for floral table decorations.

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